

# ALASKA TRAUMA REGISTRY CALENDAR

## DECEMBER 2000/JANUARY 2001

STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
COMMUNITY HEALTH AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

***Thanks for your participation in the Trauma Registrar Workshop!*** Twenty registrars came to the training on Thursday and Friday, the 7th and 8th of December. Although the revised *Trauma Registry User Manual* is a work in progress, having you assist with some of the nuts and bolts was invaluable.

During the first two weeks in January several registrars will be "road-testing" the new manual and worksheet. We plan to mail out the first version of the finalized manual and worksheet on January 16th. The new worksheet should be used beginning with January 1, 2001 admissions. With such a major change, there are bound to be a few bugs yet, but we are hoping that you will let us know about them as you use the worksheet to collect real data.

During the week of December 11th, Martha

Moore attended an Injury Prevention Workshop for injury prevention specialists who work for the Native Health Corporations. Several of these programs rely on trauma registry data to study injuries.

Using trauma registry data, Ryan Hill, Injury Prevention Specialist at Maniilaq Association, found that people over age 65 were five times more likely to be hospitalized for a fall injury. He purchased 150 pairs of ice creepers and plans to ask local physicians to "prescribe" them in their practices to the elders in the Kotzebue area who are at greatest risk of falling.

After reading through the fall injuries, Ryan also noticed that one-third of the falls occur inside the home. His next step is to go into homes and do safety inspections to identify fall hazards.

### December 2000

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### January 2001

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